

Town of Magnolia

Mayor James Frazier

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Mayor James Frazier called the May 13th, 2013 meeting of the Magnolia Town Council to order at 6:00 pm. Councilpersons Michael Cohill, Barry Fillman and Scott Fowler were present. Cheryl Carney was absent due to illness. Diane Cahall, Ralph Satterfield and Charles Dougherty (VP and Asst. Chief of the Magnolia Fire Company) were present.

The agenda for the May 2013 meeting was accepted with no additions.

Mayor Frazier asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting; Mike Cohill made a motion to accept the minutes, 2nd by Scott Fowler — Motion carried.

Mayor Frazier gave the floor to Charles (Buck) Dougherty from the Magnolia Fire Company. Mr. Dougherty explained they are working on requirements to start the bidding process. There is a large storage tank at the end of the lot to be considered in the work. Bids will most likely come from George & Lynch, Jerry's Paving and Allen Meyers. The concern is: "If the lot has to go public", as stated by Alexis Jamison from Rep. Peterman's office. If the lot has to go public the fire company may cancel the project.

Mayor Frazier requested a motion to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills. Barry Fillman made the motion to approve the report and pay the bills; 2nd by Mike Cohill — Motion carried. Council advised Diane to mail water statements to past due residents stating a payment of at least 10% of their balance is due every month by the 15th, or their water will be turned off.

Mayor Frazier reported on the alternative electric power for the town. We received a letter from Rachel Emerson stating Magnolia can be included in the State of Delaware aggregate retail electricity supply. Mayor Frazier requested a motion to proceed with the project; Barry Fillman made a motion to include Magnolia in the project; 2nd by Mike Cohill — Motion carried. The town is approved by the state and ready for the contract. Mayor Frazier will share any progress via email as soon as possible.

Councilman Cohill advised council that Tom Lane of 9 North Main has torn down the shed behind his property. Council further discussed the following properties: 16 N. Main, 10 W. Walnut, 32 S. Main and 4 Thorne Street. Grass is high and too much junk is collecting at these properties. Councilman Fowler stated he would use the town mower; cut and trim the lawns. The town will pay Mr. Fowler and bill the property owners. Mayor Frazier will also obtain a price from Frazier's Lawn Care (no relation to the Mayor) for mowing individual homeowners' properties.

Mayor Frazier advised council that with their permission he would like to contact all

local media sources: Del. State News, Dover Post, News Journal, etc. regarding all of the negative reporting in so called “Magnolia”. He will explain the town is small (a circle) and just because people have a Magnolia address does not mean they live in the Town. If the media used Street and/or Development names ~ it would not confuse people searching our small town as a place to live.

Council discussed the Frank Young mailbox request. Vice Mayor Fillman stated that Crystal Mesmer at Del Dot, Dr. Fitzgerald of CR School District and the Magnolia Post Office have all approved the project. We are waiting for DelDot and the Sign Shop to complete the project. The cost to the town will be approximately \$60.00 for 3 signs.

Vice Mayor Fillman updated council on the Park Property that Commissioner Eric Buckson suggested possible for Magnolia. Barry is still waiting for all of the stipulations and will invite a representative from Kent County to the June 2013 council meeting.

Councilwomen Carney was absent; Heritage Day report tabled until the June meeting.

Ralph Satterfield presented the following report: 4/9/13 Flushed all hydrants — no changes. 4/29 gave W. Walker ok to mark Fire Loop shut off at rear of his property. 5/5 Curb stop installed by Mast on rear of 6 S. Main for Fire Company. Cut grass and dressed flags as needed. May is bag worm spraying time.

Scott Fowler presented the following water report: The town used 1,468,000 gallons of water during March 2013. Pump 2: 762,000 gallons. Pump 3: 706,000 gallons. Well levels: 30’, 30’ and 25’. Pump 2 ran 42 hours, Pump 3 ran 41.6 hours. Average chlorine is .379. Scott Fowler and Ed Marvel prepared the public health reports and Diane will mail reports to the Division of Drinking Water. Scott requested council’s approval to have Bruce Shockley repair the 2x3’ hole in front of the Town Hall. Barry Fillman made a motion to approve this repair, 2nd by Scott Fowler — Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 pm made by Barry Fillman and 2nd by Scott Fowler - Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7: 16 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane P. Cahall, Secretary